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- 31.12 Maintenance of records.
- 31.13 Violations.
- 31.14 Criminal penalties.

AUTHORITY: Secs. 81, 161, 183, 68 Stat. 935, 948, 954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2111, 2201, 2233); secs. 201, as amended, 202, 88 Stat. 1242, as amended, 1244 (42 U.S.C. 5841, 5842).

Section 31.6 also issued under sec. 274, 73 Stat. 688 (42 U.S.C. 2021).

§31.1 Purpose and scope.

This part establishes general licenses for the possession and use of byproduct material contained in certain items and a general license for ownership of byproduct material. Part 30 of this chapter also contains provisions applicable to the subject matter of this part.

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EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 65 FR 79187, Dec. 18, 2000, §31.1 was revised, effective Feb. 16, 2001. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

§31.1 Purpose and scope.

This part establishes general licenses for the possession and use of byproduct material and a general license for ownership of byproduct material. Specific provisions of 10 CFR Part 30 are applicable to general licenses established by this part. These provisions are specified in §31.2 or in the particular general license.

§31.2 Terms and conditions.

(a) The general licenses provided in this part are subject to the provisions of §§ 30.14(d), 30.34(a) to (e), 30.41, 30.50 to 30.63 and parts 19, 20, and 21 of this chapter unless indicated otherwise in the language of the general license.

(b) [Reserved]

[38 FR 22220, Aug. 17, 1973, as amended at 38 FR 33969, Dec. 10, 1973; 42 FR 28896, June 6, 1977; 43 FR 6922, Feb. 17, 1978; 56 FR 40767, Aug. 16, 1991]

EFFECTIVE DATE NOTE: At 65 FR 79187, Dec. 18, 2000, §31.2 was revised, effective Feb. 16, 2001. For the convenience of the user, the revised text is set forth as follows:

§31.2 Terms and conditions.

The general licenses provided in this part are subject to the general provisions of Part 30 of this chapter (§§ 30.1 through 30.10), the

provisions of $\S 30.14(d)$, 30.34(a) to (e), 30.41, 30.50 to 30.53, 30.61 to 30.63, and Parts 19, 20, and 21, of this chapter unless indicated otherwise in the specific provision of the general license.

§31.3 Certain devices and equipment.

A general license is hereby issued to transfer, receive, acquire, own, possess and use byproduct material incorporated in the following devices or equipment which have been manufactured, tested and labeled by the manufacturer in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued to him by the Commission.

(a) Static elimination device. Devices designed for use as static eliminators which contain, as a sealed source or sources, byproduct material consisting of a total of not more than 500 microcuries of polonium 210 per device.

(b)-(c) [Reserved]

(d) Ion generating tube. Devices designed for ionization of air which contain, as a sealed source or sources, byproduct material consisting of a total of not more than 500 microcuries of polonium 210 per device or of a total of not more than 50 millicuries of hydrogen 3 (tritium) per device.

[30 FR 8189, June 26, 1965, as amended at 34 FR 6652, Apr. 18, 1969; 35 FR 3982, Mar. 3, 1970]

§ 31.4 Information collection requirements: OMB approval.

(a) The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has submitted the information collection requirements contained in this part to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). The NRC may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has approved the information collection requirements contained in this part under control number 3150–0016.

(b) The approved information collection requirements contained in this part appear in §§31.5, 31.6, 31.8, and 31.11

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- (c) This part contains information collection requirements in addition to those approved under the control number specified in paragraph (a) of this section. These information collection requirements and the control numbers under which they are approved are as follows:
- (1) In §31.11. NRC Form 483 is approved under control number 3150–0038.
 - (2) [Reserved]

[62 FR 52186, Oct. 6, 1997]

§31.5 Certain measuring, gauging or controlling devices.²

- (a) A general license is hereby issued to commercial and industrial firms and research, educational and medical institutions, individuals in the conduct of their business, and Federal, State or local government agencies to acquire, receive, possess, use or transfer, in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (b), (c) and (d) of this section, byproduct material contained in devices designed and manufactured for the purpose of detecting, measuring, gauging or controlling thickness, density, level, interface location, radiation, leakage, or qualitative or quantitative chemical composition, or for producing light or an ionized atmosphere.
- (b) The general license in paragraph (a) of this section applies only to byproduct material contained in devices which have been manufactured or initially transferred and labeled in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued pursuant to §32.51 of this chapter or in accordance with the specifications contained in a specific license issued by an Agreement State which authorizes distribution of the devices to persons generally licensed by the Agreement State.
- (c) Any person who acquires, receives, possesses, uses or transfers by-product material in a device pursuant to the general license in paragraph (a) of this section:
- ²Persons possessing byproduct material in devices under the general license in §31.5 before Jan. 15, 1975, may continue to possess, use or transfer that material in accordance with the requirements of §31.5 in effect on Jan. 14, 1975.

- (1) Shall assure that all labels affixed to the device at the time of receipt and bearing a statement that removal of the label is prohibited are maintained thereon and shall comply with all instructions and precautions provided by such labels;
- (2) Shall assure that the device is tested for leakage of radioactive material and proper operation of the on-off mechanism and indicator, if any, at no longer than six-month intervals or at such other intervals as are specified in the label; however:
- (i) Devices containing only krypton need not be tested for leakage of radioactive material, and
- (ii) Devices containing only tritium or not more than 100 microcuries of other beta and/or gamma emitting material or 10 microcuries of alpha emitting material and devices held in storage in the original shipping container prior to initial installation need not be tested for any purpose;
- (3) Shall assure that the tests required by paragraph (c)(2) of this section and other testing, installation, servicing, and removal from installation involving the radioactive materials, its shielding or containment, are performed:
- (i) In accordance with the instructions provided by the labels; or
- (ii) By a person holding a specific license pursuant to parts 30 and 32 of this chapter or from an Agreement State to perform such activities;
- (4) Shall maintain records showing compliance with the requirements of paragraphs (c)(2) and (c)(3) of this section. The records must show the results of tests. The records also must show the dates of performance of, and the names of persons performing, testing, installing, servicing, and removing from the installation radioactive material and its shielding or containment. The licensee shall retain these records as follows:
- (i) Each record of a test for leakage or radioactive material required by paragraph (c)(2) of this section must be retained for three years after the next required leak test is performed or until the sealed source is transferred or disposed of.
- (ii) Each record of a test of the on-off mechanism and indicator required by